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SUBJECT: DOMESTIC POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS

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SUMMARY: NATIONAL ASSEMBLY EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OPENS
MAY 17, FEATURING GOVERNMENT BRIEFINGS AND OPPOSITION
INTERPELLATION, A QUIET, ORDERLY SESSION IS ANTICIPATED.

1. NATIONAL ASSEMBLY STEERING COMMITTEE HAS REACHED
AGREEMENT ON DETAILED AGENDA FOR EXTRAORDINARY SESSION
WHICH OPENS MAY 17 AND ADJOURNS JUNE 6. PLENARY WILL CONVENE
TWELVE DAYS AND FIVE DAYS WILL BE TAKEN UP BY
COMMITTEE MEETINGS. FOLLOWING OPENING CEREMONIES MAY 17,
PRIME MINISTER KIM CHONG- PIL WILL REPORT ON OVERALL
GOVERNMENT POLICIES MAY 18. NDP PRESIDENT YU CHIN- SAN
WILL DELIVER OPPOSITION KEYNOTE SPEECH FOLLOWING DAY, WHICH WILL
CONTAIN QUESTIONS ON ADMINISTRATION POLICY. REPORTS TO
ASSEMBLY BY FORMER ROKF- V COMMANDER LT GEN YI SE- HO ON
VIETNAM, BY YI HU- RAK ON SOUTH/ NORTH DIALOGUE, AND BY
ASSEMBLYMAN PAK CHUN- KYU ON RECENT IPU MEETING ARE
SCHEDULED FOR MAY 21 THROUGH 23. REMAINDER OF SESSION
WILL BE DEVOTED TO PLENARY INTERPELLATIONS, ELECTION
OF SECOND VICE SPEAKER, AND DELIBERATION OF BILLS, AS
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REPORTED IN REFTEL.

2. COMMENT: NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND OPPOSITION ON CONVENING OF EXTRAORDINARY SESSION HAVE PROCEEDED SMOOTHLY THROUGHOUT AND HAVE BEEN NOTABLE FOR LACK OF ACRIMONIOUS WRANGLING. PRESS HAS COMMENTED TO THIS EFFECT AND HAS PREDICTED A SESSION FREE OF SERIOUS CONFRONTATION BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND OPPOSITION. WE WILL LIKELY SEE THE KIND OF QUIET AND ORDERLY SESSION WHICH THE PRESIDENT INTENDS, SETTING THE PATTERN FOR FUTURE SESSIONS UNDER THE NEW ORDER. DECONTROL AFTER MAY 16, 1976.
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